ULASSIFICATION Will it Approved For Release 2002/08/07: CIA-RDP82-00457R001700840002-3 231852 DATE DISTR. 17 August 1948 Germany (Russian Zone) COUNTRY Soviet Order of Battle: Biesenthal, SUBJECT NO. OF PAGES Eberswelde, and Freienwalde CIA Intern NO. OF ENCLS. (LISTED BELOW) PLACE ACQUIRED CONFIDENTIAL 25X1A SUPPLEMENT TO DATE OF I REPORT NO. 25X1X l, Biesenthal (297) Barracks were vacated on or about 1 June. Gasoline stocks were shipped out. north-northeast, to an unknown destination, 2. Eberswalde (VOS) Eberswalde police state that there are approximately 12,000 Russians in the town. b. A motor repair company, the Soviet construction office, and a club are located in the Eisenbahnstrasse. The MVD office is in the Pfeilstrasse. East of the railroad to Liebenwalde is a fuel dump with about 500 barruls and 20 tank cars. A Soviet settlement includes part of the MEW works and extends to the Ardelt Werke at the edge of town. The Ardelt plant houses a Soviet staff. In addition to ordinary field and permanent lines, seven rubber trunk lines with various junction lines run into this building. (Permanent lines in Eberswalde and surroundings are being equipped with bell insulators to increase their capacity). Officers of the motorized infantry, moto-mech artillery, armored units, engineers and air force have been seen at this headquarters. d. Northeast of staff headquarters are the billets of 150 Soviet Air Force personnel. These men are equipped with a radio truck. Between this unit and the Bahnhof area are a military hospital and a military tailor shop. 25X1B f. Constant liaison takes place between the Ardelt-Werke staff and another situated north of the Eberswalde-Freienwalde road. There are telephone lines between the two headquarters and lively courier service. The road leading to the latter headquarters is marked with the letters KN and a star inside a triangle: 25X1B Barracks in the neighborhood are believed to be occupied by a moto-mech regiment whose men wear black tabs with red piping. Another compound is located south of the Eberswalde-Fredenwalde highway CLASSIFICATION SECRET STATE WARNING NOTICE NAMES DISTRIBUTIONS THE MUST! BE YMRA X This document is hereby regraded to the document in accordance with the CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the Document letter of 15 October 1373 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States.

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next to the cemetery. Armored symbols decorate the outer walls of the barracks but no tanks have been seen in the vicinity. Vehicle

h. There are no dependents in Eberswalde. No buildings have been derequisitioned.

i. Four day training courses are being given with the intention of tripling the police force in Eberswalde and its surroundings. Up to 100 men attend each course. As of 19 June, these courses had been running for a fortnight and were to continue.

men will be used by Abschnitt Ost-Nord, which is located in Freienwalde and which has some connection with a border police station.

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3. Freienwalde (V29)

a. A radio company is stationed at the western exit of the railway station. It is equipped with high power, long distance radio trucks marked with a black ball circled in white. These vehicles were

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b. The former German motorcycle barracks were occupied only by guard details. Next to these barracks is a settlement usually occupied by armored troop officers. No tanks were observed and vehicle sheds were empty. Approximately 125 immobilized Studebaker trucks were parked nearby; they were equipped with tires, however, and had been freshly painted.

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c. The main komendatura has moved from Eberswalde to Freienwalde.

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